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**From:** Lee, Barbara  
**Sent:** Wed 8/12/2015 4:02:31 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Gold King Mine Update from R7 Perspective

Hi Dave,

Just an FYI. We have set up our own SSID A998 to track R9 costs expended for this response on R9's are (Navajo Nation). My understanding as of yesterday, each region is handling the response at the regional level if the spill is in their region and we are tracking the costs at the regional level. If we deploy folks to help R8 out for their work, then they charge the R8 SSID.

One more thing, we are working on trying to do response under a joint R8 Action Memo (AM). Usually AMs will have 10-20% contingency built into their estimate (at least R9's does). However, I have not seen the R8 AM to know for sure.

Hope this helps. Let me know if you have any questions.

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Barbara – fyi

Serena – Just a copy for you as Acting Comptroller

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Did we estimate any contingency costs before we send up the final estimate? Thanks.

Missy Milbeck, Comptroller

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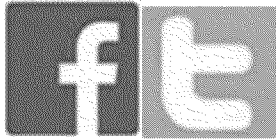
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Hadn't heard about the supplemental apropos, thanks.

Getting some info from Durango that r8 may be managing funds for all as area command. But all would use own ssid. This was requested by the r6 and r9 oses in conjunction with area commander. Anyone else hear that? Running that down.

Waiting on some final r9 figures before sending our request to oswer.

Let's plan on talking at 1:30 on these topics. John I will forward you our invite.

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Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 12, 2015, at 8:37 AM, Milbeck, Regina <[Milbeck.Regina@epa.gov](mailto:Milbeck.Regina@epa.gov)> wrote:

Thanks John for the update.

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**From:** Phillips, John

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**Cc:** Kohler, Carla

**Subject:** Gold King Mine Update from R7 Perspective

What I'm about to say is just a Region 7 discussion, and has not been officially communicated/verified.

Just wanted to let you know that I had heard in our morning briefing that having one SSID for this response may be an issue under CERCLA. They mentioned something about the site codes have always had to stop at regional boundaries for Superfund cleanups, and feel that this probably will be no different given it's a Superfund response (versus a Stafford Act response). Also, I heard there may be the possibility of a supplemental appropriation for the response.